

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services
(Lead Department/Division)

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s): N/A **Case No.:** Forest Services Operations Building

LOCATION: Santa Ynez Valley Airport

PROJECT TITLE: Santa Ynez Valley Airport Building Addition

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: An approximate 2,460 square foot addition to an existing 4,000 square foot light industrial warehouse facility to house administrative functions (offices, training room, restrooms and mechanical equipment).

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: §15301(c) Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The types of "existing facilities" itemized below are not intended to be all-inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use. (e) Additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase of more than: (1) 50 percent of the floor area of the structures before the addition, or 2,500 square feet, whichever is less.

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):
The expansion size (2,460 square feet) falls within the minimum requirements of the above mentioned guideline. The use of the proposed facility will be administrative, same as the current facility, and is therefore negligible.

<u>Jill Van Wie, Project Manager</u>	<u>May 20, 2008</u>
Department/Division Representative	Date

NOTE: Upon project approval, this form must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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